APPENDIX D - CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES

I make the following certifications and assurances as a required element of the proposal to which it is attached, understanding that the truthfulness of the facts affirmed here and the continuing compliance with these requirements are conditions precedent to the award or continuation of the related contract:

- 1. I declare that all answers and statements made in the proposal are true and correct.
- 2. The prices and/or cost data have been determined independently, without consultation, communication, or agreement with others for the purpose of restricting competition. However, I may freely join with other persons or organizations for the purpose of presenting a single proposal.
- 3. The attached proposal is a firm offer for a period of 90 days following receipt, and it may be accepted by HCA without further negotiation (except where obviously required by lack of certainty in key terms) at any time within the 90-day period.
- 4. In preparing this proposal, I have not been assisted by any current or former employee of the state of Washington whose duties relate(d) to this proposal or prospective contract, and who was assisting in other than his or her official, public capacity. Any exceptions to these assurances are described in full detail on a separate page attached to this document.
- 5. I understand that HCA will not reimburse me for any costs incurred in the preparation of this proposal. All proposals become the property of HCA, and I claim no proprietary right to the ideas, writings, items, or samples, unless so stated in this proposal.
- 6. Unless otherwise required by law, the prices and/or cost data which have been submitted have not been knowingly disclosed by the Proposer and will not knowingly be disclosed by him/her prior to opening, directly or indirectly, to any other Proposer or to any competitor.
- 7. I understand that any contract(s) awarded as a result of this RFP will incorporate Terms and Conditions substantially similar to those attached to the RFP. I certify that I will comply with these or substantially similar Terms and Conditions if selected as a contractor. Any exceptions to these terms have described in detail on a page attached to the Letter of Submittal.
- 8. No attempt has been made or will be made by the Proposer to induce any other person or firm to submit or not to submit a proposal for the purpose of restricting competition.
- 9. I grant HCA the right to contact references and others, who may have pertinent information regarding the ability of the contactor and the lead staff person to perform the services contemplated by this RFP.

On behalf of the co	ompany submitting	this proposal, r	my name below	attests to the	accuracy of
the above stateme	nt.				

Signature	Date
Name & Title	